

Getting Connected

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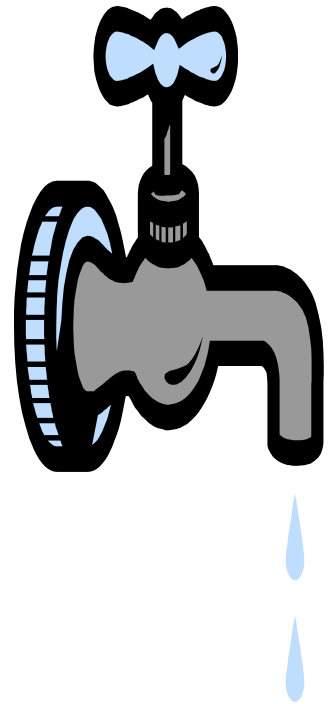
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Issue 1

PERMITS CUSTOMER UPDATE

This quarterly newsletter is intended to provide on-going communication with our customers. Please submit your suggestions for topics for the next publication as soon as possible.

Help us name our Newsletter! Submit nominations to the Permits Office and have your name placed in a drawing for a mystery prize!



TRADES ADVISORY COUNCIL (TAC)

The Trades Advisory Council continues to meet with Metro Water Services representatives on a monthly basis to discuss issues involving the development community.

Monthly agenda items are sent to various organizations in advance. We encourage feedback and welcome suggestions for future items to be discussed. If you would like to attend any of these meetings, please contact Mary Ellen Jackson as follows:

Mary.jackson@nashville.gov or 615-862-7225





If you need any assistance or accommodations,
Please contact Mr. Joseph A. Estes, Sr., Metro Water
Services, ADA Coordinator, 1600 2nd Avenue North,
Nashville, TN. 37208-2206; telephone 615-862-4862

We're on the Web!

<http://66.155.35.118/mws/tradesadvisory.htm>

Accomplishments:

First Annual Community
Meeting July 2004

Express Plans Review Process

Trades Advisory Council
Web Page (Schematics, Poli-
cies, Agendas, Minutes)

Express Plans Review Process

Automatic Meter Inspection
Scheduling

Implementation of Out of
County Sewer Inspections

Revisions to Backflow Poli-
cies and Customer Notifica-
tion Process

Variance Process for Plans
Review in Initial Phase of
Development

Parking Problems??



As you may have noticed the Howard School Campus officially became a construction site on November 16. Renovation and additions to relocate the present offices should be completed within 12 months. The area on the north side of the building has been designated for public parking.

To access this parking, use the Middleton Street entrance.

Staff Additions!

We are pleased to announce the addition of five new permanent staff members. Paul Wray has been selected to fill the position of cross connection specialist. He will be active in plans review, variance requests and field issues. Mickey Brooks and Steve Edwards will serve as field compliance inspectors. They will be inspecting meter and tap installations. Valerie Fisher

and Robert Collier bring experience from our Customer Service Center and will be assisting customers and handling administrative functions. Please welcome them.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Variances for meter and backflow placement may be submitted to the Permits Office and are reviewed on a case by case basis.
- Plans submitted in accordance with MWS specifications may be approved on initial review by Permits staff.
- Double Check and Double Detector Check Valve Assemblies may be vertically installed.
- All new installations and Reduced Pressure Backflow Prevention (RPBP) Device replacements must be equipped with a Y strainer.
- Existing backflow devices that can be rebuilt or repaired will not be required to install a Y strainer.
- New commercial businesses considered to be low hazard may not be required to install a RPBP.
- All commercial and irrigation water service connections will be surveyed yearly for hazard status as well as testing of all prevention devices.
- Permit holder is responsible for providing vendor testing information to MWS Permits section by fax or email including contact name, contact address, and permit location address. Fax to 615-862-7257 or email to mws.permits.testing@nashville.gov
- If a meter is being exchanged, the permit holder must provide by fax or email the last reading, size and serial number of the exiting meter.
- Residential irrigation meters and any required backflow devices must be furnished by consumer.
- MXU must be mounted on house side of meter box 2 inches from top of meter box.
- The first three feet of service line out of the meter box on house side must be copper or brass.